ATTACHMENT A

Remarks

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2007.

Claims 9, 10, 15, 18, and 19 have been amended in a manner which it is believed completely overcomes the objections and rejections under § 112.

A new sheet of figures is enclosed herewith which shows the taper at the inner ends of the transverse bores 30 facing the annular groove, as recited in claims 11 and 19, thereby satisfying the objection under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a).

Accordingly, this application is now in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully solicited.

END REMARKS